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GEN. OBREGON QUILTS CABINET TO GET VILLA

Carranza's "Strong Man" Reported Preparing to Start for Jimenez.

BANDIT FORCES GROWING

Chihuahua City, Though Government Army Headquarters, Outlaw Stronghold.

By WALLACE E. SMITH.
(International News Service.)

El Paso, Tex., July 7.—Minister of War Alvaro Obregon is preparing to abandon his post as Carranza's chief cabinet officer today to take the field against "Pancho" Villa and that renegade's victorious hordes, according to advices received in Juarez from Mexico City.

Impatient at the failure of his commander to check Villa's latest campaign and alarmed by the steady growth of Villa's forces, Gen. Obregon is said to be ready to start at an hour's notice for the neighborhood of Jimenez.

Meanwhile "Pancho" Villa and his new army, reported to have taken Jimenez, seem to be debating whether to push the Carranzista force back still farther upon Chihuahua or direct their attention to the Torreon district, where American property worth many millions is located.

Bandit Popular Idol.

Villa's success along the 40-mile battle line between Parral and Jimenez places him in a strong position. Through this part of Mexico he has always been favored. Carranza officials admit that Chihuahua City, the headquarters of the northern army, is really a Villa stronghold, and that the great majority of the population is utterly for the picturesque outlaw. Thousands of men now wearing the Carranza uniform have been notoriously eager for a chance to join the Villa forces.

The chance seems to have come. Villa has issued a call to his arms to all his old chieftains, especially those serving Carranza. In addition to this appeal came the news that Carranza and the United States government had patched up the differences between them. With the chance of shooting "gringos" dwindling and their old leader on the war path there seemed to be little doubt as to the inclinations of the Villistas.

Men Flock to Standard.

"Pancho" Villa's army is growing every minute," said an arrival from the interior of Mexico, today. "He started against Parral with about 600 men. He has more than three times that number now, and is getting stronger all the time. He is equipped as well as the Carranza forces. In fact, some of the bands under him wear Carranza uniforms and bear arms that they brought when they left the Carranza ranks. Unless they stop Villa within the next few days they will never stop him."

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FORWARD!

GERMAN DEAD FILL MARSHES

Attack in Close Formation and Are Mown Down by French.

SLAIN AS THEY CHARGE ACROSS UNPROTECTED FIELD

(By the Sun News Service.)

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The Seventeenth division of Bavarians suffered very heavily. Two regiments attacked in massed formation. At first the French fire curtain was sufficient to hold their charges, but some got through and were cut down by machine guns. There were six charges. Then the French charged with the bayonet and put the remainder of the brigade to flight.

A Bavarian company managed to obtain possession of some sheds where they were besieged. After two hours' of fighting the Bavarians surrendered. Interrogated they said their officers had not thought of the possibility of a French offensive. Half an hour before the attack of July 1 their commander distributed leaflets among them, copies of which were found on dead and wounded, and on prisoners, declaring an allied offensive in the north had been prevented by the attack on Verdun.

A quarter of an hour later a certain army corps, which the enemy believed to be still upon the Meuse, was gathering spoils in the very trenches where the boast was uttered.

British Trade on Increase.

London, July 7.—Board of Trade returns published today show an increase of \$20,000,000 in the exports during June and an increase of \$35,000,000 in the imports.

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Twenty Washington Monkeys To Aid Battle of Science

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WILSON WILL HONOR BOYD

President to Attend Rites for Carrizal Hero at Arlington on Tuesday.

FUNERAL TRAIN DUE TO REACH CAPITAL MONDAY

(By the Sun News Service.)

President Wilson, Secretary of War Baker, and other high government officials are expected to be present at Arlington Cemetery on Tuesday, when the body of Capt. Charles T. Boyd, hero of the battle of Carrizal, will be interred with full military honors.

The funeral train will arrive in Washington on Monday morning. It will be met at the station by a detachment of cavalry escorting a caisson upon which the body will be placed and moved to where it will lie in state. These arrangements will be completed when Capt. T. A. Baldwin, Jr., of the Quartermaster's Department, has consulted the wishes of Capt. Boyd's family.

The military services at Arlington will be held in the chapel, with several detachments of cavalry in attendance. A volley will be fired over the grave, after which taps will be sounded.

The body was placed on the train at El Paso yesterday and will be accompanied to Washington by K. D. Klemm, brother-in-law of the deceased. The eight colored troopers of the Tenth Cavalry, who lost their lives in the Carrizal fighting, are on the same train, and after their relatives have been consulted, arrangements will be completed for their interment at Arlington.

SCOUR COAST FOR MAN EATERS.

New York, July 7.—A veritable fleet of boats, manned by armed men, scoured the Atlantic coast waters from Galilee to Barnegat today in search for the two man-eating sharks that on Sunday and yesterday killed two men, ripping them literally to pieces.

Electrocuted for Burglary.

Raleigh, N. C., July 7.—The first person to be executed in this State for burglary is Lawrence Swinson, a negro, who was put to death today in the State prison. Six more electrocutions are to follow this month.

"VILLA CREMATED" IS LATEST.

Still Another Report Has Him Invading Torreon.

Gen. Pershing's Headquarters in Mexico (by wireless to Columbus, N. Mex.), July 7.—Villa's body has been cremated by friends in the mountains of Chihuahua, according to a Mexican who arrived at the headquarters of Gen. Pershing's expedition today. He asserts that he was an eyewitness of the ceremony.

Another report has it that Villa invaded Torreon with 1,500 men, shooting up the stores and retiring with supplies. These reports are placed in the class with the rumor that Villa was in Juarez recently, wearing false whiskers.

POLK DENIES MEXICAN LOAN

Declares U. S. Has No Intention of Giving Carranza Financial Aid.

VILLA REPORTED PLANNING NEW RAID ACROSS BORDER

Counselor Polk, of the State Department, requested last night that the report that he had conferred with Henry T. Fletcher, designated to be Ambassador to Mexico, and Paul M. Warburg, of the Federal Reserve Board, over Mexican finances, he emphatically denied. He said the subject was not mentioned.

There is no intention at present on the part of this government to take up the question of possible loans to the de facto government.

The War Department is proceeding with its mobilization plan independent of the international situation.

The conciliatory reply of the United States government to Carranza's last note had not had time to reach the Mexican Embassy yesterday before the first move in a campaign of co-operation against bandits threatening the American border was suggested by the de facto government of Mexico.

Fears New Border Raid.

Carranza, through Ambassador designate Arredondo, notified the State Department that a de facto government force had been destroyed by a large band of Villa followers at Carralites, Chihuahua, on Wednesday. Carranza expressed the fear that the Villa band had proceeded northward through the desert and might concentrate near the border for a raid into United States territory. He suggested that the American troops on the border exercise particular vigilance in the stretch of border line between Boquillas and Ojinaga and promised that meanwhile every effort would be made by his own forces to pursue and capture the bandits. The warning was at once telegraphed to Gen. Funston.

The presumed line of march which the band has taken is not within striking distance of any of the troops of Gen. Pershing's expeditionary force.

Carranza is expected to reply to the American note of yesterday. But before doing so he will get reports from Mr. Arredondo, who will informally discuss the situation with Counselor Polk.

U. S. War Boom On Its Last Legs

Europe Now Able to Supply Its Own Arms and Ammunition.

(By the Sun News Service.)

New York, July 7.—The manufacturing boom that has been sweeping the United States as the result of the allies' war orders is about to wane.

A big slump is looked for in the business of making munitions for the entente powers, and, in fact, has already set in. Thousands of workmen have been dismissed by various firms who have closed the doors of plants created or enlarged for the purpose of putting out arms, ammunition and war material for England, France and Russia.

Most of the contracts let early in the war have been filled. In many cases there were no renewals. One reason for this is the fact that some of the American output has proved inferior in quality. The main cause for the let-up in the "war business," however, is the fact that the allied countries have now sufficiently mobilized their industries to turn out their own arms, ammunition and material.

PARALYSIS SCOURGE BELIEVED ABATING

(By the Sun News Service.)

New York, July 7.—There was a decided decrease in the number of new cases of infantile paralysis and a slight drop in the number of deaths from the disease today. In the twenty-four hours ending at 11 o'clock this morning, twenty-two children died. There were eighty-seven new cases today, which is about half of yesterday's record.

The police department has closed every "play street" in Greater New York. Fifteen thousand children are affected. Coney Island, usually the mecca of children, is deserted.

Oppose Military Training.

New York, July 7.—A resolution, aimed against military training in the schools, was adopted today at the convention of the National Education Association.

BRITISH DRIVE GERMANS BACK ALL ALONG LINE

Mighty Armies Battle Hand-to-Hand in Misty Half Light.

TEUTON LOSSES TERRIFIC

Infantry Charge Over Path Cleared by Three Days of Bombardment.

(By the Sun News Service.)

London, July 7.—As the seventh day of the battle of the Somme dawned, bugles all along the British front sounded attack. The call found the British ready. Full daylight had not yet put in an appearance when there raged between Thiepval and Fricourt the fiercest hand-to-hand grapple witnessed since the great Franco-British drive began.

Throughout the night the big guns had been pounding away against the German lines, clearing the path for the infantry. For three days Gen. Sir Douglas Haig's infantry legions had been marking time, leaving the cannon to open the road. Today was the day. The French, south of Somme, far ahead of the British and holding firm under the Teuton counter-blows of yesterday, were waiting for their allies to advance and straighten out the line.

Still Behind French.

When night fell the British had advanced all along the line, had inflicted terrific losses on the Germans, and beaten off all counter-attacks except at one point, Contalmaison, northwest of Albert, which was regained by the Prussian Guards.

There is no concealing the fact, however, that the Anglo-French front is still far from being straightened out. The British are still well behind the French. Briefly summarized, these are the successes gained by the British today:

They carried by assault a further portion of the Leipzig salient, one of the strongest fortified works in the German line.

To the south, they forced their way across 500 yards of a German front line trench into the German defenses in the village of Ovillers. The battle for the possession of the village itself continued throughout the day without decisive result.

They advanced on a front of nearly 2,000 yards east of La Boisselle to a depth of 500 yards.

They took two woods and three lines of German trenches north of Fricourt.

Take Village, Then Lose It.

They put to flight the Prussian Guard, the Kaiser's favorite picked corps, and, pursuing them to the north, captured the village of Contalmaison. The guards came back, however, and forced the British out again.

That, in brief, is the story of today's fighting. The British official statement issued tonight says that the German losses "must have been very heavy today." Retreating across open ground, the Teutons were caught by the hail of British shells.

Rain, sodden ground, and flooded trenches made the fighting extremely difficult all day.

U-Boats Resume Shipping Attacks

German Public Clamor Results in Sinking of Unarmed British Merchantman.

(By the International News Service.)

London, July 7.—Demands in Germany for a resumption of the submarine campaign against allied shipping without restrictions appear to be having an effect of increasing activity on the part of the Teuton U-boats.

It was announced today that the British merchant steamer Gannet had been sunk by a submarine. The Gannet was an unarmed vessel.

The Gannet displaced 1,127 tons and was built in 1879. Its home port was London.

Shortly after news of the loss of the Gannet was received, a dispatch sent from Berlin announced that the British steamer Leestria had been captured near the English coast. This vessel was built in 1905, hails from Cork and displaces 1,354 tons.

U. S. TROOPER FIRED ON AS HE PATROLS BORDER

(By the Sun News Service.)

El Paso, Texas, July 7.—Private A. Brackin, Company B, Twenty-Third Infantry, was fired on last night by Mexicans while patrolling the border in the southern part of El Paso, according to admissions today of his officers, to whom he reported the occurrence. He did not return the fire.

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